

Grants Pass Department Of Public Safety



Nature: Rain Decreases Fire Restrictions in the City of Grants Pass

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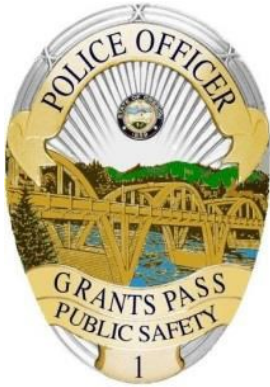
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Narrative:

The recent rain and cooler temperatures have made it possible to decrease fire restrictions across southwest Oregon. Effective immediately, the fire danger level on Oregon Department of Forestry protected lands in Jackson and Josephine counties will lower to “moderate” (blue). In addition, the City of Grants Pass will mirror the decrease in restrictions.

As a reminder, public fire restrictions which will remain in effect, include:

- No debris burning, including piles and debris burned in burn barrels.
- No fireworks.
- Chain saws may not be used between 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. during moderate fire danger. During hours outside of this time frame, chain saws may be used but require that the operator have one shovel and one 8-oz or larger fire extinguisher at the work site. A fire watch is also required for one hour after each chainsaw use.
- The mowing of dead or dried grass with power-driven equipment is not allowed between 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. during moderate fire danger. This restriction does not include mowing of green lawns, or equipment used for the commercial culture and harvest of agricultural crops.



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- Any other spark-emitting internal combustion engine-use not specifically mentioned is not allowed between 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. during moderate fire danger. Use of any spark-emitting internal combustion engine is allowed outside of this time frame only if the work site is cleared of potentially flammable vegetation and other materials, and a water supply is at the job site.

Recreational fires are again permitted. Please visit the link below for more information on the requirements for recreational fires within the city.

www.grantspassoregon.gov/DocumentCenter/View/7197

For questions, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 541-450-6200

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